



Area Labor Profile

Bleckley

County



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Labor Force Activity - 2015

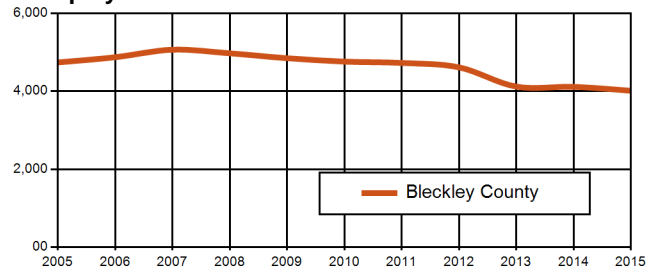
2015 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Bleckley	4,413	4,011	402	9.1%
Dodge	6,992	6,414	578	8.3%
Houston	65,143	61,362	3,781	5.8%
Laurens	18,486	17,093	1,393	7.5%
Pulaski	4,036	3,773	263	6.5%
Twiggs	2,957	2,687	270	9.1%
Wilkinson	3,582	3,316	266	7.4%
Bleckley Area	105,609	98,656	6,953	6.6%
Georgia	4,770,873	4,490,931	279,942	5.9%
United States	157,129,917	148,833,417	8,296,333	5.3%

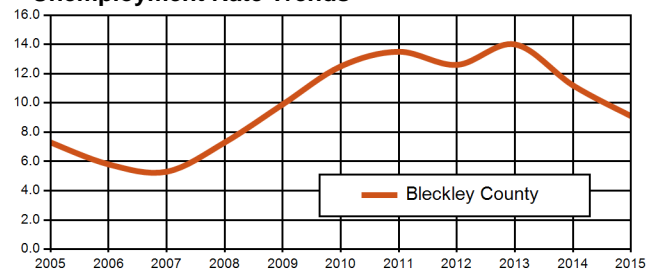
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

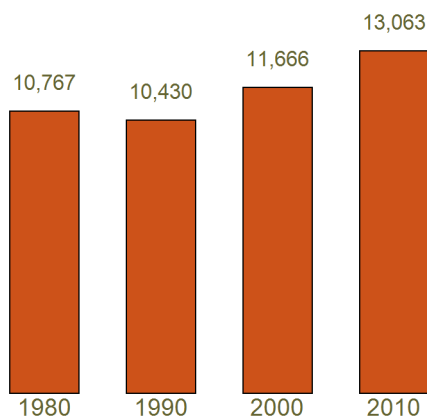
Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends



Population Estimates



Population

	2010 Census	2015 Rank	2015 Estimate	% Change 2000-2015	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
Bleckley	13,063	236	12,243	-6.3	12,946	-0.9
City of Cochran	5,150					
Bleckley Area	253,789		259,830	2.4	287,278	13.2
Georgia	9,687,653		10,214,860	5.4	11,538,707	19.1
United States	308,745,538		321,418,820	4.1	349,439,199	13.2

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, *Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2016

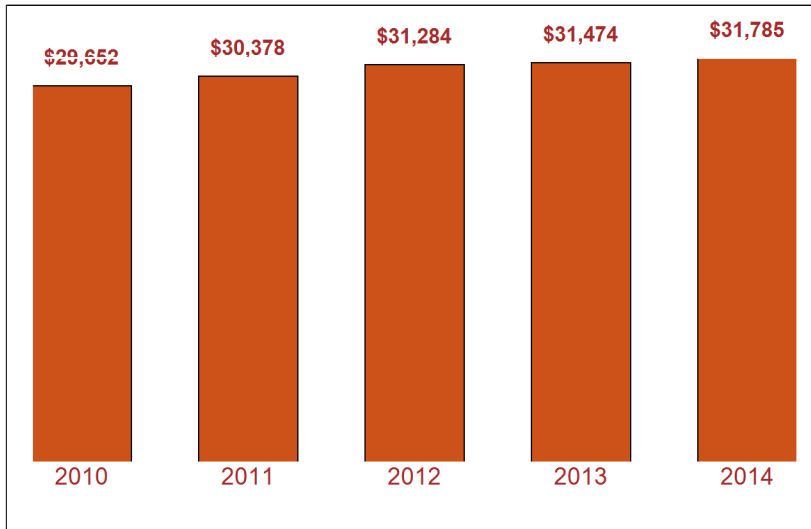
INDUSTRY	Bleckley				Bleckley Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	31	284	10.9	786	649	13,066	14.1	992
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	14	99	3.8	808	84	698	0.8	704
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	13	1,299	1.4	1,490
Construction	11	147	5.6	798	379	2,417	2.6	806
Manufacturing	6	39	1.5	683	173	8,651	9.4	992
Textile Product Mills	1	*	*	*	4	7	0.0	548
Fabricated Metal Product	1	*	*	*	20	719	0.8	908
Machinery	2	*	*	*	8	113	0.1	1,196
Furniture and Related Product	1	*	*	*	12	468	0.5	633
Miscellaneous	1	*	*	*	14	122	0.1	576
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	5	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	6	91	0.1	608
Chemical	0	0	0.0	0	6	155	0.2	672
Plastics and Rubber Products	0	0	0.0	0	7	157	0.2	1,033
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	9	837	0.9	1,334
Food	0	0	0.0	0	11	3,681	4.0	795
Wood Product	0	0	0.0	0	12	389	0.4	865
Printing and Related Support Activities	0	0	0.0	0	14	69	0.1	563
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	14	654	0.7	1,435
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	26	678	0.7	1,262
Service-Providing	142	1,176	45.1	490	4,019	46,492	50.3	595
Utilities	0	0	0.0	0	14	335	0.4	1,243
Wholesale Trade	5	37	1.4	916	153	1,017	1.1	885
Retail Trade	48	435	16.7	473	878	12,022	13.0	455
Transportation and Warehousing	3	*	*	*	122	1,845	2.0	714
Information	0	0	0.0	0	50	446	0.5	858
Finance and Insurance	12	105	4.0	727	241	1,866	2.0	804
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	3	*	*	*	169	587	0.6	575
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	10	26	1.0	917	458	3,675	4.0	1,142
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	0	0.0	0	23	537	0.6	3,465
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	5	77	3.0	555	233	3,529	3.8	491
Educational Services	0	0	0.0	0	34	411	0.4	442
Health Care and Social Assistance	21	136	5.2	434	629	8,554	9.3	678
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	3	27	1.0	186	57	723	0.8	283
Accommodation and Food Services	17	206	7.9	291	453	9,288	10.0	256
Other Services (except Public Administration)	15	38	1.5	535	338	1,441	1.6	603
Unclassified - industry not assigned	7	8	0.3	488	167	216	0.2	635
Total - Private Sector	180	1,468	56.3	547	4,668	59,558	64.4	683
Total - Government	25	1,140	43.7	583	382	32,904	35.6	964
Federal Government	7	28	1.1	811	88	*	*	*
State Government	7	*	*	*	118	3,238	3.5	638
Local Government	11	697	26.7	538	176	13,581	14.7	689
ALL INDUSTRIES	205	2,607	100.0	563	5,050	92,462	100.0	782
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					298,099	4,257,675		930

Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average number of employees who had earnings; average earnings are then divided by the number of weeks in a reporting period to obtain weekly figures. Figures in other columns may not sum accurately due to rounding. All figures are 2nd Quarter of 2016.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor. These data represent jobs that are covered by unemployment insurance laws.

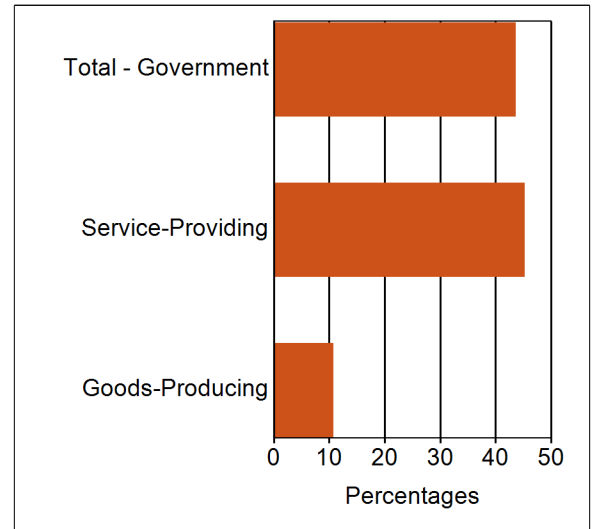
Bleckley Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Bleckley Industry Mix 2016

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



Top Ten Largest Employers - 2015*

Bleckley

Everett F Dykes Grassing Company, Inc.
Ga Dept Of Corrections
Harveys Supermarkets
Heartland EMS, Inc.
Macon State College
Mcdonalds
Quality Trans, Inc.
State Bank of Cochran
Wal-Mart
Woody Butts Chevrolet, Inc.

*Note: Represents employment covered by unemployment insurance excluding all government agencies except correctional institutions, state and local hospitals, state colleges and universities. Data shown for the Third Quarter of 2015. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Bleckley Area

Academy Sports & Outdoors
BASF Corporation
Fairview Park Hospital
Frito-Lay, Inc.
Lighthouse Nursing Agency, Inc.
McDonalds
Perdue Farms Incorporated
Publix Super Market, Inc.
The Kroger Company
Walmart

COUNTY

Twiggs
Wilkinson
Laurens
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Commuting Patterns

EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

Bleckley

COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Bleckley, GA	2,746	55.1
Houston, GA	784	15.7
Dodge, GA	438	8.8
Bibb, GA	355	7.1
Pulaski, GA	201	4.0
Laurens, GA	148	3.0
Twiggs, GA	113	2.3
Wilkinson, GA	80	1.6
Other	118	2.4
Total Residents:	4,983	100.0

PERSONS WORKING IN

Bleckley

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Bleckley, GA	2,746	74.4
Dodge, GA	346	9.4
Laurens, GA	177	4.8
Pulaski, GA	140	3.8
Houston, GA	62	1.7
Twiggs, GA	35	0.9
Bibb, GA	32	0.9
Colquitt, GA	32	0.9
Other	99	2.7
Total Residents:	3,691	100.0

Note: Other category represents employment from U.S. counties only.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 County-To-County Worker Flow Files.

Education of the Labor Force

Bleckley Area

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	5.0%	1.8%	2.6%	2.7%	4.2%	14.4%
Some High School	13.3%	20.3%	9.5%	10.1%	12.5%	17.3%
High School Grad/GED	35.2%	34.7%	32.3%	35.2%	36.4%	36.3%
Some College	22.0%	32.4%	25.5%	20.2%	19.7%	16.4%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.4%	5.3%	8.7%	9.7%	7.9%	3.9%
College Grad 4 Yr	10.9%	5.3%	15.4%	14.3%	10.8%	6.9%
Post Graduate Studies	6.3%	0.2%	6.0%	7.8%	8.6%	4.8%
Totals	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Note: Totals are based on the portion of the labor force between ages 18 - 65+. The "Some College" category represents workers with less than two years of college and no degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 Decennial Census.

High School Graduates - 2015

	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS*	TOTAL
Bleckley	145	--	145
Dodge	205	--	205
Houston	1,766	--	1,766
Laurens	550	--	550
Pulaski	79	--	79
Twiggs	63	--	63
Wilkinson	92	--	92
Bleckley Area	2,900	--	2,900



Note: Public schools include city as well as county schools systems.

* Private schools data is not available for 2015 from Georgia Independent School Association.

Source: The Governor's Office of Student Achievement of Georgia.

Colleges and Universities

Bleckley Area

Houston

Georgia Military College-Warner Robins Campus	
Embry-Riddle - Robins Campus	http://fusion.erau.edu/ec/www/centerinfo.cfm?code=b9
Central Georgia Technical College	http://www.centralgatech.edu
Houston County Center (Satellite campus of Central Georgia Technical College)	www.centralgatech.edu
Middle Georgia Technical College	www.middlegatech.edu

Dodge

Georgia Aviation Technical College	http://www.gavtc.org
Mercer Campus (Satellite campus of Mercer University)	http://www.mercer.edu
Georgia Aviation & Technical College	www.gavtc.org
Middle Georgia College	www.mgc.edu
Dodge County Instructional Center (Satellite campus of Oconee Fall Line Technical College)	www.oftc.edu

Pulaski

Sam Way, Sr. Learning Center (Satellite campus of Central Georgia Technical College)	www.centralgatech.edu
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Twiggs

Twiggs County Center (Satellite campus of Central Georgia Technical College)	www.centralgatech.edu
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Laurens

Heart of Georgia Technical College	www.heartofgatech.edu
South Campus (Satellite campus of Oconee Fall Line Technical College)	www.oftc.edu

Bleckley

Middle Georgia State College	www.mgc.edu
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Note: The colleges and universities listed include public and private institutions. This list is updated periodically as information becomes available.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

Technical College Graduates - 2015*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	165	234	459	41.8	96.2
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General°	188	145	342	-22.9	135.9
Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician°	120	74	127	-38.3	71.6
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	202	24	59	-88.1	145.8
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	22	18	15	-18.2	-16.7
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	121	249	475	105.8	90.8
Banking and Financial Support Services	3	3	2	0.0	-33.3
Barbering/Barber°	7	15	29	114.3	93.3
Biology Technician/Biotechnology Laboratory Technician	1	1	7	0.0	600.0
Business Administration and Management, General°	51	31	163	-39.2	425.8
Business Administration, Management and Operations, Other	5	2	1	-60.0	-50.0
Business/Office Automation/Technology/Data Entry°	10	3	7	-70.0	133.3
Cabinetmaking and Millwork°	12	15	21	25.0	40.0
CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician°	5	6	6	20.0	0.0

Technical College Graduates - 2015*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Cardiovascular Technology/Technologist	5	10	5	100.0	-50.0
Carpentry/Carpenter°	51	43	84	-15.7	95.3
Child Care and Support Services Management°	24	18	30	-25.0	66.7
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	246	290	526	17.9	81.4
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	5	1	11	-80.0	1000.0
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	144	336	590	133.3	75.6
Computer Programming Special Applications°	1	3	11	200.0	266.7
Computer Programming/Programmer, General	4	3	6	-25.0	100.0
Construction Management°	2	1	2	-50.0	100.0
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	165	139	227	-15.8	63.3
Criminal Justice/Police Science°	12	14	9	16.7	-35.7
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	67	72	177	7.5	145.8
Crisis/Emergency/Disaster Management°	16	15	22	-6.3	46.7
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	912	915	1,471	0.3	60.8
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°	46	177	253	284.8	42.9
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	92	116	278	26.1	139.7
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	26	21	53	-19.2	152.4
Design and Visual Communications, General°	11	6	21	-45.5	250.0
Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician°	6	7	17	16.7	142.9
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°	4	10	9	150.0	-10.0
Early Childhood Education and Teaching°	115	99	227	-13.9	129.3
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General°	91	40	98	-56.0	145.0
Electrician°	38	33	45	-13.2	36.4
Electrocardiograph Technology/Technician°	8	5	16	-37.5	220.0
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	113	148	285	31.0	92.6
Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies°	6	3	1	-50.0	-66.7
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	26	11	10	-57.7	-9.1
General Office Occupations and Clerical Services°	72	133	252	84.7	89.5
Geographic Information Science and Cartography°	3	3	7	0.0	133.3
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/°	144	307	395	113.2	28.7
Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician°	3	1	12	-66.7	1100.0
Hospitality Administration/Management, General	7	2	8	-71.4	300.0
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General°	16	18	67	12.5	272.2
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	69	100	133	44.9	33.0
Instrumentation Technology/Technician°	6	6	7	0.0	16.7
Legal Administrative Assistant/Secretary°	3	9	17	200.0	88.9

Technical College Graduates - 2015*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Legal Assistant/Paralegal	12	12	15	0.0	25.0
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	123	125	254	1.6	103.2
Logistics, Materials, and Supply Chain Management°	27	22	84	-18.5	281.8
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	5	55	84	1000.0	52.7
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)°	3	3	4	0.0	33.3
Marketing/Marketing Management, General	5	6	10	20.0	66.7
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	8	13	45	62.5	246.2
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	17	6	14	-64.7	133.3
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	50	105	139	110.0	32.4
Medical Transcription/Transcriptionist°	1	2	4	100.0	100.0
Medical/Clinical Assistant	79	61	143	-22.8	134.4
Medical/Health Management and Clinical Assistant/Specialist	11	15	19	36.4	26.7
Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician°	13	12	25	-7.7	108.3
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	39	160	394	310.3	146.3
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	98	87	89	-11.2	2.3
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant°	21	22	76	4.8	245.5
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	18	19	51	5.6	168.4
Plumbing Technology/Plumber°	8	10	1	25.0	-90.0
Polysomnography	7	7	13	0.0	85.7
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer°	33	33	69	0.0	109.1
Rehabilitation and Therapeutic Professions, Other	1	1	11	0.0	1000.0
Renal/Dialysis Technologist/Technician°	31	72	122	132.3	69.4
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	7	10	4	42.9	-60.0
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	23	34	42	47.8	23.5
Teacher Assistant/Aide°	5	4	7	-20.0	75.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	58	121	239	108.6	97.5
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	6	7	19	16.7	171.4
Welding Technology/Welder°	211	369	542	74.9	46.9

Definition: All graduates except those listed as technical certificates(°) are diploma and degree graduates. Diploma and degree programs are one to two years in length. Technical certificates are less than a year in length. Duplication may occur due to graduates with multiple awards.

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

*Data shown represents Annual 2013, 2014, and 2015.

Note: Please visit TCSG website for any college configuration changes.

Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor

	TOTAL	Mgt.	Bus. and Finance	Comp. and Arch. Math	Eng.	Life and Soc. Svcs.	Comm. and Svcs	Legal	Ed. and Training	Arts and Design	Health Prac.	Health Support
Bleckley	100	6	24	8	9	0	0	0	9	0	15	29
Dodge	189	24	19	20	1	6	2	8	0	5	42	62
Houston	2,261	280	227	475	261	46	69	20	226	183	266	208
Laurens	847	76	52	76	98	3	26	1	105	82	223	105
Pulaski	96	20	1	9	29	0	0	9	11	0	0	17
Twiggs	178	30	12	2	0	0	3	0	2	3	31	95
Wilkinson	108	2	4	0	9	0	0	3	14	1	30	45
Subtotal Area	3,779	438	339	590	407	55	100	41	367	274	607	561

Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor (cont.)

	TOTAL	Protect. Svcs.	Food Prep.	Ground Cleaning	Personal Care	Sales	Office Support	Farm. and Forestry	Cons- truction	Installation Main.	Prod.	Trans. and Moving
Bleckley	1,076	11	27	6	15	73	85	2	71	64	306	416
Dodge	2,610	97	98	17	43	215	546	5	157	243	745	444
Houston	11,189	334	377	123	270	732	2,255	80	445	1,292	2,258	3,023
Laurens	5,895	74	282	486	99	356	1,281	47	436	473	1,435	926
Pulaski	898	6	8	7	8	93	229	4	29	152	180	182
Twiggs	731	6	30	28	20	80	171	4	29	29	137	197
Wilkinson	1,135	0	40	7	8	108	222	2	156	33	307	252
Subtotal Area	23,534	528	862	674	463	1,657	4,789	144	1,323	2,286	5,368	5,440

Note: For current applicant data available for a specific occupation, contact the nearest Georgia Department of Labor Career Center.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor (active applicants as of October 2016).

Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

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